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We must not yield to difficulties, but strive the harder to overcome them.—Robert E. Lee.

DR. CURRIE'S ABILITY RECOGNIZED

Dr. Donald H. Currie will be remembered in Honolulu as the man who had the courage to order banana-plants cut during the campaign to check the mosquito and ward off yellow fever two years ago.

That same quality of courage, together with his professional knowledge and ability, has been recognized by his appointment to the California state board of health. A Sacramento dispatch says:

"Dr. Donald H. Currie, connected with the federal health service in San Francisco, was today appointed to the state board of health by Governor Johnson. He will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. William F. Snow.

"It is probable that Dr. Currie will be elected secretary of the board, the position held by Dr. Snow, and in this event he will receive a salary of \$3600 a year.

"Dr. Currie is known as one of the leading experts in plague and yellow fever. He has been in the United States health service for the past 14 years. For several years he served in the Philippines and was promoted from that place to San Francisco."

Part of the dispatch is inaccurate. He went from Hawaii to San Francisco. California needed a fearless and intelligent fighter—and got him.

DON'T WHINE, WORK!

Governor Pinkham is not the only man recently come from Washington who believes that President Wilson will not stand by without action and see the sugar tariff reduced to the point where Hawaii's prosperity is materially affected.

Raymond C. Brown, who has just come back from Europe and the mainland as European agent of the board of immigration, is firmly of the opinion that President Wilson will see that the tariff law is quickly changed if it proves injurious to Hawaii.

He says:

"I was much struck with the statements of Harry Irwin at the Democratic banquet on Friday night, as well as with what Mr. McCandless said the president had told him, to the effect that Mr. Wilson is aware to the injury that may be done the sugar industry here and will be ready to see that a remedy is given if the injury materializes. When I was in Washington I found the general and well-substantiated opinion to be that Mr. Wilson is a mighty, fair-minded man and one above vindictiveness who will see that justice is done through the legislation passed. I don't think Hawaii need fear any serious injury through the tariff bill, for I believe that if the new tariff law proves disastrous to us, it will be changed."

Mr. Brown thoroughly coincides with the stand taken by Governor Pinkham that what is needed in Hawaii is concerted effort in reaching conclusions and voicing them:

"The get-together spirit is the spirit that will win for Hawaii and will be particularly valuable in meeting the change of conditions with the new tariff," he says.

When there is so much work for Hawaii to do, and when the future of Hawaii depends on pulling together, why should any man or set of men confine activity to useless whining?

THAT "NAVAL HOLIDAY"

Germany is not the only nation which looks askance at the proposal of Winston Churchill, first lord of the British admiralty, for an international "naval holiday" for one year. In France the proposal has evoked a number of retorts, most of them tinged with humor.

France sees even more in Churchill's offer than an attempt to outwit Germany in naval maneuvering. According to the well-informed Paris Temps, which is inclined to treat European statesmanship and diplomacy cavalierly, Churchill is playing politics for home consumption. The Temps points out that a considerable element in the Liberal party, supporting the ministry, is opposed to large naval appropriation and construction. Churchill's offer, says the Temps, is really made for the benefit of the Liberals, not for Germany. "Mr. Churchill would convince the anti-construction element of the Liberals that it is absolutely necessary to go on spending huge sums of money for more battle-ships, and to do this he makes the proposal fully expecting that Germany will refuse.

In the United States Churchill's offer has

been taken in entire good faith, both Secretary Daniels and Secretary Bryan finding much to commend in it. Furthermore, three days ago the house passed by an overwhelming vote the resolution of Congressman Walter L. Hensley of Missouri, requesting the president to cooperate with Churchill in the latter's plans for the naval holiday.

All of which brings forth the reflection that there are tricks in all trades and that international politics is pretty nearly all tricks.

CRITICISM AND PRESIDENT

Local Democrats say, and with truth, that President Wilson has been sharply criticised by a portion of the press in Hawaii. And not only in Hawaii. Here is James R. Mann, Republican leader of the House, saying, for instance:

"I take it that in view of the attitude of the president concerning the Carabao dinner, we will soon be reduced to the point where no man can either criticize, or smile, without first asking the consent of the government."

"Throughout the country today, wherever men are congregated, there is a quiet discussion going on which, when cold weather sets in, will end in a roar and a howl that will penetrate even the ears of the deaf Democrats."

"Municipal lodging houses will soon be in demand all over the country."

Municipal lodging-houses are already in demand in practically every large city on the Pacific Coast.

As a matter of fact, Wilson is receiving far less sharp criticism than Taft got, less malevolent criticism than Roosevelt got, less insulting criticism than McKinley got before the Spanish-American war.

AN EFFICIENT BOARD

It is not amiss, in this period of possible change in territorial officials, to call attention to the excellent work that the present board of harbor commissioners is doing and has done. In fact, the harbor board since its inception two years and a half ago has been a board full of energy and constructive ideas, and harbor and wharf improvements in Hawaii have progressed rapidly under its administration.

At least one member of the board, Mr. Wakefield, has placed his resignation at the disposal of the governor. Very many people in Hawaii will wish to see him retained on the board. Much of the good work accomplished has been due to his initiative. It is certain that if his resignation is accepted it will be no reflection whatever on the high quality of his public service, but merely in line with such reorganization of the territorial administration as may seem to the new executive a wise policy.

Consul-general Amos P. Wilder, well-known in Honolulu, has resigned because of ill-health, according to dispatches to mainland papers, and will pass through this port shortly on his way to join his family in Berkeley, Cal. His resignation is a loss to Uncle Sam's consular corps, in which he has demonstrated exceptional fitness.

A Wisconsin professor declares that "slang is the natural development in the method of expression of the human race." The learned gentleman should therefore have no objection to being called a high-brow.

Supervisors caucusing on road-work shouldn't forget the general movement in favor of paving the waterfront esplanade from the Honolulu Iron Works to Fort street.

Moving-picture smiles of great men are the latest novelty. Some of the candidates for offices under the new administration should get their smiles taken now.

Neither Wilson nor Huerta has changed policy since the latest Lind conference.

Unemployed in San Francisco have called a hunger-strike on the free eating-houses. "I Won't Eat" as well as "I Won't Work."

Secretary Bryan prays that war will be averted in Mexico and Secretary Garrison keeps a few thousand men along the border.

The husband just beginning to breathe freely after the holiday shopping has still to face the millinery terrors of Easter.

Maybe Jeff thinks there are some Carabi in the tall pines-down Schofield way.

By the way, what has become of Harry

Letters OR TIMELY TOPICS

[The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space to anonymous communications.]

CURRENCY BILL AND THE REPUBLICANS

Honolulu, Jan. 3, 1914.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Sir:—At the Democratic banquet Friday night a remark was made by one of the speakers that the currency bill was passed with the assistance of Republicans. The following account of the proceedings in the senate will prove that this was a mistake:

"Details of final vote. The senators who voted for the Owen bill were:

"Democrats—Ashurst, Bacon, Bryan, Bankhead, Chamberlain, Chilton, Clarke, Fletcher, Gore, Hitchcock, Hollis, Hughes, James, Johnson, Kern, Lane, Lea, Lewis, Martin, Martine, Myers, Myers, Newlands, O'Gorman, Overman, Owen, Pittman, Pomerene, Randall, Reed, Robinson, Sargeant, Sheppard, Shields, Shively, Simmons, Smith (Arizona), Smith (Maryland), Smith (Georgia), Smith (South Carolina), Swanson, Thomas, Thompson, Tillman, Vardaman, Walsh, Williams—47.

"Republicans—Crawford, Jones, Perkins, Norris, Sterling, Weeks—6.

"Progressive—Polinder—1.

"Those who voted against the bill were:

"Republicans—Borah, Bradley, Brady, Brandegee, Bristow, Burton, Capper, Clapp, Colt, Cummins, Dillingham, Du Pont, Gallinger, Goff, Gronnan, Jackson, La Follette, Kenyon, Lippitt, McCumber, McLean, Nelson, Oliver, Page, Penrose, Root, Sherman, Smith (Michigan), Smoot, Sutherland, Stephenson, Townsend, Warren, Works—34.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—MID-PACIFIC CARNIVAL LTD.: Remember January 7 and prepare to buy my stock!

—GEORGE HENSHALL: The Ad Club teams'll get you January 7, but don't watch out!

—MAYOR J. J. FERN: We are all getting down to hard work now that the arrival of Christmas is over.

—D. H. GILMORE (Oceanic Steamship Company): The weather off the islands must be pretty fierce when the liner Sierra is delayed 30 hours in arrival from San Francisco.

—JUDGE H. E. COOPER: The schooner Luka will be thoroughly overhauled again before she is sent on that next trip to Palmyra island. She may get away on the opora cruise the latter part of the month.

—JAMES D. DOUGHERTY: The proposed carnival of all nations will doubtless be one of the biggest features of the February celebration. It will surpass anything of its kind previously held in Honolulu.

—P. L. WEAVER: The new ordinance for traffic will soon be ready for introduction. Its preparation has called for a great deal of work, but the work was justified in view of the importance of the measure.

—GEORGE GUILD: The members of the Merchants' Association have favored a consolidation with the Chamber of Commerce by a large majority. I predicted that there would be a favorable vote of at least four to one.

—L. M. JUDD: My resignation to the Republican county committee is as treasurer, but I still retain my membership on the committee. I believe a reorganization is necessary and some good hard work with it.

A. L. CASTLE: The unfortunate accident to Sadtler puts a big crimp in the Punahou team. With Sadtler in the line-up we would have given the Chinese a hard run next meeting. As it is, we will make them play right up to top form if they expect to beat us.

—E. A. MOTT-SMITH: I now have sufficient leisure from official duties to receive collections from those friends of mine who once had the misfortune to become Yale students, and the still greater misfortune to twist me beforehand on the outcome of that last football game between Yale and Harvard.

—S. S. PAXSON: Though one of the papers declared that the best

"Absent and paired—Burleigh, Clark (Wyoming), Culberson, Fall, Lodge, Stone, Thornton

"Vacancy—Alabama."

The currency bill is a dyed-in-the-wool Democratic law, every Democrat in favor of it, and in spite of the votes cast against it by the Republicans.

I am, yours truly,
A DEMOCRAT.

STIRS HIM TO POETRY.

Dec. 13, 1913.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Sir:—Some time ago I stopped for several days in your beautiful city on my way here. As I was sailing out of the harbor with the sun setting behind the hills, I thought of these lines, which I thought you might find room to publish in your paper.

Hawaii, we bow to thee
Set in the amber southern sea;
Begin with blue, bedecked with green
No fairer isles than these could e'er be seen.

Hawaii, thou garlanded land of flowers
Of bungalows and vine clad bowers;
How can I cease to think of thee
As I sail away across the sea?

Hawaii, we've heard thy fame
And now have come to love thy name:
When once a man has felt thy thrill
Years pass, but thou dost draw him still.

Hawaii, may this potent power
Abide with me, my ever cherished dower;
And when my travel just is done
Back to thy bosom may I come.

Hawaii, thou pearl of isles
Remind me always of thy smiles
And ever in my mind be first
Than Mid-Pacific, heaven-on-earth.
RALPH JEFFERS,
Manila, P. I.

thing the last legislature did was to adjourn, the fact is that the legislature did some splendid progressive work. Norman Watkins, who was one of the leaders, is such a mighty fine fellow that he ought to be a Democrat instead of a Republican.

—MAJOR E. V. SMITH: When I passed through Honolulu in 1905, I saw a ball game here in which En Sue played third base. I went back to the states and told my friends that the fastest third baseman I had ever seen was a Honolulu Chinaman. Most of them took this statement with a grain of salt, but I have heard recently that my remark was remembered by some when the All-Chinese visited the mainland last year. Incidentally I find En Sue as fast as ever eight years later, although he has shifted from the third corner to the center garden.

—HENRY CHILLINGWORTH: Fans who accused me of rough play in last Thursday's game didn't know the circumstances of the collision between En Sue and myself in the tenth inning. I ran in toward second, to take the throw from La Mere when the ball got by him to the stands, not knowing that Hixenbaugh was already waiting for it on second. I was not on the path, but just outside of it, and En Sue must have been running wide to hit me. Umpire George Bruns, who was right on top of the play, will bear out this statement. I have played ball here for years and was never before accused of dirty play on the diamond. I regret it if any of the spectators thought I intentionally roughed En Sue.

—THOMAS QUINLAN (manager of the grand opera company aboard steamer Makura): I hope to be able to play an engagement at Honolulu upon the return of our company to Australia and South Africa. While I have never before visited Honolulu, I fully intend to pay this beautiful city an extended visit. Were it not for pressing business demanding our presence on the mainland, we would remain over for some weeks.

Novitates to the number of 13 rode the goat Saturday evening in conformity with the rules made by the local lodge of Elks to govern those who would wear the antlers. Thirteen did not prove unlucky, however, for all those who underwent the initiation survived. The additions to the local herd are F. H. Kanne, L. A. C. Parrish, J. E. Hill, J. J. Devereux, G. W. Bigler, W. L. Harvey, Arthur Lando, C. T. Littlejohn, Charles Pringle, C. O. Hottel, F. J. Kruger, Capt. R. A. Mather and G. C. Brown. Following the initiation an interesting musical program was rendered which was participated in by both professional and amateur talent.

It takes some of us a wearisome long time to find out that the devil always has an ace in the hole!

For Rent

Kapiolani St., 3 bedrooms, furnished, \$65
Piikoi St., 3 bedrooms 40
Kalaikau Ave., 4 bedrooms 60
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Aloha Lane, 2 bedrooms...\$17
Auld Lane, 3 bedrooms..... 16
Auld Lane, 3 bedrooms..... 16
Pua Lane, 3 bedrooms..... 16

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